



Select Major Religious Observances in Academic Year 2026-27 (July 2026 to June 2027)

Members of the Oxford College community observe many religious holidays. Below are the dates of select major Hindu, Jewish, Christian, and Muslim holidays that will occur over the academic year. The Office of Religious and Spiritual Life provides this list to help prevent scheduling conflicts that could impact large populations in the campus community. There are many more religious traditions and holidays observed than are listed here. According to Emory's Religious Accommodation Policy 10.17, students and employees should work with their faculty and managers as early as possible to arrange for reasonable accommodations for their religious observances. The Advising Support Center and ORSL (brent.huckaby@emory.edu) are available for consultation and support.

Holiday	Religion	Day
Rosh Hashanah	Judaism	Eve September 11 through September 13, 2026 after nightfall
Yom Kippur	Judaism	Eve September 20 through September 21, 2026 after nightfall
Sukkot, first two days	Judaism	Eve September 25 through September 27, 2026 after nightfall
Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah	Judaism	Eve October 2 through October 4, 2026 after nightfall
Diwali	Hinduism	November 8, 2026
Hanukkah	Judaism	Eve December 4, 2025 through day December 12, 2026
Christmas	Christianity	December 25, 2026
Christmas	Orthodox Christianity	January 7, 2027
Ramadan	Islam	Eve February 7 through day March 8, 2027
Ash Wednesday	Christianity	February 10, 2027
Eid-al-Fitr	Islam	Eve March 9 through day March 10, 2027 or Eve March 10 through day March 11, 2027
Great Lent Begins	Orthodox Christianity	March 15, 2027
Purim	Judaism	Eve March 22 through day March 23, 2027
Holi	Hinduism	March 22, 2027
Good Friday	Christianity	March 26, 2027
Easter	Christianity	March 28, 2027
Passover, first two days	Judaism	Eve April 21 through April 23, 2027 after nightfall
Passover, last two days	Judaism	Eve April 27 through April 29, 2027 after nightfall
Holy Friday	Orthodox Christianity	April 30, 2027
Orthodox Easter	Orthodox Christianity	May 2, 2027
Eid al-Adha	Islam	Eve May 16 through day May 17, 2027
Shavuot	Judaism	Eve June 10 through June 12, 2027 after nightfall

Muslim holidays are based on a lunar calendar, and the actual dates are determined by direct observation of the moon as announced by the mosque. Christian holidays also begin on the eve of the dates listed.